

Missouri Military Voting Information

For those serving in Iraq, Kosovo, Afghanistan and other combat zones

Please follow these steps **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** to make sure your vote is counted in November

If you are already registered to vote in Missouri:

- 1) As soon as possible, request an absentee ballot be mailed to you in one of two ways:
 - A close relative such as a parent, spouse or sibling can request an absentee ballot for you at your local election authority's office (see links below). They must provide the address where you would like your ballot to be mailed.
 - Mail or fax the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) directly to your local election authority. This should be done as soon as possible, but must be received by **5 p.m. CDT, October 29th, 2008**.
- 2) When you receive your Missouri ballot, you may fax or email it back.
- 3) If you do not receive your ballot before the election, you can still vote. Just fax or email the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) to your local election authority no later than **7 p.m. CST, November 4th, 2008**.

If you are a Missouri resident but are not registered to vote:

- 1) As soon as possible, mail the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to your local election authority. It must be postmarked by **October 8th, 2008**. The FPCA serves both as an absentee ballot request and as a voter registration form.
- 2) When you receive your Missouri ballot, you may fax or email it back.
- 3) If you do not receive your ballot before the election, you can make sure your vote is counted. Fax or email the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) to your local election authority no later than **7 p.m. CST, November 4th, 2008**.

If you miss the voter registration deadline, you can still vote for President, Vice-President and U.S. Congress ONLY. You should fill out the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) and fax or email it to your local election authority no later than **7 p.m. CST, November 4th, 2008.**

All forms are available online (see links). Voting Assistance Officers also have hard copies. **IMPORTANT:** In block 6 on the FPAC and the FWAB, you **MUST** indicate that you are serving in a hostile area declared by the Missouri Secretary of State.

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Websites you should know:

Federal Post Card Application:

<http://www.fvap.gov/resources/media/fpca.pdf>

The FPCA can both register you to vote and request your absentee ballot. If you are using it as a voter registration form, it must be mailed. If you are already registered, it can be faxed.

Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot:

<http://fvap.gov/resources/media/fwab.pdf>

The FWAB is a back-up ballot in case your absentee does not arrive or you missed the voter registration deadline. The FWAB may be faxed or emailed to your local election authority.

Find the address, fax and email of your Local Election Authority:

<http://www.sos.mo.gov/elections/countyclerks.asp>

Deadlines you should know:

Last day to register to vote —
5 p.m. CDT, October 8th, 2008

Last day to apply for an absentee ballot (registered voter) —
5 p.m. CDT, October 29th, 2008

Last day to vote for federal offices (not a registered voter) —
7 p.m. CST, November 4th, 2008

Last day for registered voters to fax/email ballot —
7 p.m. CST, November 4th, 2008



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